Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

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Whereas, Lula Hickerson of Kennett, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her One Hundredth Birthday with a special celebration on August 9, 2008, at Friendship Church; and

Whereas, on August 13, 1908, in Bessville, God brought a special gift to Cleve and Mollie Davis with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Lula, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Lula Hickerson will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as her marriage to Luin Hickerson (deceased) and the births of their offspring; and

Whereas, Lula Hickerson has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include three children, Ruth Payne, J.C. Cuff, and Paul Cuff; two stepchildren, JoAnn Warlick and the late Jack Hickerson; eleven grandchildren; twenty-two great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Lula Hickerson further distinguished herself as a waitress, the owner of a local steakhouse, a member of Friendship Church, and as an avid fisherman; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 100, Lula Hickerson is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Lula Hickerson at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri centenarian Lula Hickerson, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by	
	Representative Tom Todd
	District No. 163

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3403, adopted June 12, 2008.